

South Dakota Braille & Talking Book Library

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Application for **FREE** Library Service - **CHILDREN**

Name: _____ Telephone: _____
(last) (first) (initial)

Parents Name: _____

Address: _____
(city) (state) (zip code)

Date of birth ____/____/____ Gender: ____Male ____Female
(month) (day) (year)

The Cassette Player will be sent to the home.

For information on lending a cassette player to the school for the student, please call the Braille & Talking Book Library at the above telephone number.

If contact with this individual is to be only through the school or another person, please complete the following mailing address.

Name of contact person:

_____ Telephone: _____

Address: _____
(city) (state) (zip code)

**** Indicate the disability preventing you from reading standard printed material.
See definitions under eligibility criteria on last page.**

Check all that apply: must be completed before service can be started.

____blindness

____visual impairment; nature & extent: acuity for Right eye:_____ Left_____

____physical disability; nature and extent_____

____**reading disability ** requires the signature of a
DOCTOR of Medicine or Osteopathy.**

**PLEASE READ THE BACK PAGE FOR ACCEPTABLE SIGNATURES
REQUIRED BY FEDERAL LAW
TO BE COMPLETED BY CERTIFYING AUTHORITY**

I certify that the applicant named is unable to read or use standard print material for reason(s) indicated on this form.

(signature) (title and occupation)

(address) (city) (state) (zip code)

BOOKS and EQUIPMENT

You may borrow any of the following items. Check those you wish to receive on loan:

- _____ Cassette player, (plays 1-7/8 ips, 15/16 ips, 2 track and 4 track cassettes) a cassette book catalogs and magazine catalogs to assist you in selecting materials
- _____ Descriptive Videos (you must have your own VCR)
- _____ Information about Textbooks for K-12 students

SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS

Special attachments for cassette players are available. Please check any you would like from the list below:

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|------------------------|--|
| ___Amplifier | For use of hearing impaired only. A separate application will be sent to you. Amplifier attaches to the headphones only. |
| ___Extension levers | Helpful to readers who have limited use of hands and /or arms. |
| ___Pillow phone | Solely for readers confined to bed. |
| ___Remote control unit | Cassette player on or off from a remote location. Helpful to readers confined to bed or those with limited use of their hands. |

Playback equipment and special attachments are supplied to eligible person on extended loan. If this equipment is not being used in conjunction with recorded reading material provided by the Library of Congress and its cooperating libraries, it must be returned to the issuing agency.

READING PREFERENCE

How many books would you like to start receiving on a Turn Around.
(turn around is when you send a book back you will receive a book in return)

Suggestions:

PLEASE EXCLUDE BOOKS THAT CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING:

Please check all that apply

- ☐ Books with explicit sex
- ☐ Long Books (3 or more cassettes)
- ☐ Books with violence
- ☐ Short Books (2 or less cassettes)
- ☐ Books with strong language
- ☐ Male Narrator
- ☐ Female Narrator
- ☐ Grade level of reading

Type of material I wish to receive
Please check all areas that interest you.

- ☐ Fiction only
- ☐ Non Fiction only
- ☐ Would like both
- ☐ Adventure
- ☐ Mysteries
- ☐ Animal stories
- ☐ Pioneer
- ☐ Biographies
- ☐ Poetry
- ☐ Classics
- ☐ Sea Stories
- ☐ Fairy & Folklore
- ☐ Science Fiction
- ☐ Family stories)
- ☐ South Dakota Interest
- ☐ Fantasy
- ☐ Sports
- ☐ Hobbies & Pastimes
- ☐ Spy Stories
- ☐ Holidays & Celebrations
- ☐ Suspense
- ☐ Movies, Radio, Television
- ☐ Western

Authors I wish to receive books from
Please check all authors that interest you

- ☐ R. L. Stine
- ☐ Beverly Cleary
- ☐ Judy Blume
- ☐ Franklin Dixon
- ☐ Ann Martin
- ☐ J. K. Rowling
- ☐ JRR Tolkien
- ☐ Laura Ingalls Wilder
- ☐ Carolyn Keene
- ☐ Gertrude Chandler Warner

Other (please specify)

NOTICE: Records relating to recipients of Library of Congress reading material are confidential except for those portions defined by State law as public information. To find out the extent to which the information provided on this application form may be released to other individuals, institutions, or agencies, consult the agency to which you are submitting this application.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR LOAN OF LIBRARY MATERIALS

A. The following persons are eligible for loan service:

Blind persons whose visual acuity, as determined by competent authority, is 20/200 or less in the better eye with correcting lenses, or whose widest diameter of visual field subtends an angular distance no greater than 20 degrees.

Persons whose visual disability, with correction and regardless of optical measurement, is certified by competent authority as preventing the reading of standard printed material.

Persons certified by competent authority as unable to read or unable to use standard printed material as a result of physical limitations.

Persons certified by competent authority as having a reading disability resulting from organic dysfunction and of sufficient severity to prevent their reading printed material in a normal manner.

B. Competent Authority:

In case of blindness, visual disability, or physical limitations, “**competent authority**” is defined to include doctors of medicine; doctors of osteopathy; ophthalmologists; optometrists; registered nurses; therapists; professional staff of hospitals, institutions, and public or welfare agencies (e.g., social workers, case workers, counselors, rehabilitation teachers, and superintendents). In the absence of any of these, certification may be made by professional librarians or by any person whose competence under specific circumstances is acceptable to the Library of Congress.

C. In the case of reading disability from organic dysfunction, competent authority is defined as doctors of medicine who may consult with colleagues in associated disciplines.

D. Qualified readers must be residents of the United States, including the several states, territories, insular possessions, and the District of Columbia, or American citizens domiciled abroad.

LENDING OF MATERIAL AND CLASSES OF BORROWERS

A. **Veterans.** In the lending of books, records, reproducers, musical scores, instructional texts, and other specialized materials, preference shall be given at all times to the needs of the blind and other physically disabled persons who have been honorably discharged from the armed forces of the United States.

B. **Institutions.** The reading material and sound reproducers for the use of the blind and physically disabled persons may be loaned to individuals who qualify, to institutions such as nursing homes and hospitals, and to schools for the blind or physically disabled for the use of such persons only. The reading material and sound reproducers may also be used in public or private schools where disability students are enrolled. However, the students must be certified as eligible on an individual basis and must be the direct and only recipients of the material and equipment.